BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of US West) Application No. C-1830
Communications, Inc., filing)
its notice of intention to file)
Section 271(c) application) Hearing Scheduling Order
with the FCC and request for	
Commission to verify US West)
compliance with Section 271(c).) Entered: November 6, 1998

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

Pursuant to the Commission's Procedural Progression Order No. 8 in Application No. C-1830, US West Communications, Inc. (US West) has indicated the order in which it intends to present its witnesses at the hearing on this application. All parties have also indicated the approximate amount of time to be spent in the presentation and cross-examination of each witness. These two documents are attached hereto. Upon motion of US West and pursuant to Rule 017.02 of the Commission Rules of Procedure, the Hearing Officer enters this Hearing Scheduling Order so that parties may make travel arrangements, and otherwise prepare for the hearing.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

- 1. The hearing in Application No. C-1830 will begin November 16, 1998, at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Library. A video link will also be available at the Kearney Public Library, Media Center Room, 2nd Floor, 2020 1st Avenue, Kearney, beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, November 16, and at 9:00 a.m. on each successive day.
- 2. Each interested party will have the opportunity to make an opening statement on November 16, at the outset of the hearing. US West will be entitled to 45 minutes for its opening, and the intervenors may share up to one hour and 15 minutes for their statement.
- 3. After making opening statements, interested parties should be prepared to present witnesses as follows:

Monday, November 16, 1998 Rex Fisher Dr. Robert Harris Mike Weidenbach

Tuesday, November 17, 1998
Mike Weidenbach (continued, if necessary)
Karen Stewart
Margaret Bumgarner
Lori Simpson

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Wednesday, November 18, 1998

Lori Simpson (continued, if necessary)
James Overton
Theresa Million
Judith Brunsting
Lynn Notarianni

Thursday, November 19, 1998

Lynn Notarianni (continued, if necessary) Mike Williams

Friday, November 20, 1998

Mike Williams (continued, if necessary) Allen Bergman Brad Hedrick

- 4. While the Commission recognizes that the time estimates submitted by interested parties are only estimates, it expects all interested parties to follow these timelines as closely as is practicable.
- 5. All interested parties may present post hearing briefs by 5:00 p.m. CST on December 4, 1998. Therefore, the Commission does not see any need for closing arguments at the conclusion of the hearing.
- 6. This scheduling order does not otherwise affect the procedures established in the Procedural Progression Orders previously entered in this application.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission to adopt the Hearing Scheduling Order as described above.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this scheduling order does not otherwise affect the procedures established in the Procedural Progression Orders previously entered in this application.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 6th day of November, 1998.

Frank Landis > Hearing Officer